



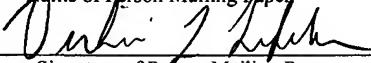
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**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.121**

Honorable Commissioner for Patents  
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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated March 16, 2005, please amend the above-identified patent application as follows: